

Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/034,994	MLINAR ET AL.
	Examiner Michael I Poe	Art Unit 1732

All Participants:

Status of Application: _____

(1) Michael I Poe (Examiner).
 (2) Andrew Stover (Applicant's attorney).

(3) _____.
 (4) _____.

Date of Interview: 7 July 2004

Time: 3:30 pm

Type of Interview:

Telephonic
 Video Conference
 Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No
 If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

None specifically

Claims discussed:

1-19 and 28-30

Prior art documents discussed:

None specifically

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: The examiner called the applicant's attorney to discuss proposed amendments necessary to place the application in condition for allowance. Although the examiner had found the arguments with regard to claims 1-19 and 28-30 presented in the response filed on May 27, 2004 persuasive, the examiner stipulated that the term "lengthening" was not fully supported by the applicant's original disclosure and therefore was considered new matter by the examiner. However, the examiner indicated that the term "separating" would be fully supported by the applicant's arguments and would further be commensurate with the applicant's arguments. As such, the examiner proposed replacing the phrase "lengthening at least a portion" with "separating portions" to place the application in condition for allowance. The applicant's attorney approved the proposed amendment and authorized the examiner to proceed with the change via Examiner's Amendment.